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Assembly Bills

Bill No:

AB 84 (Woods) Sponsor: California Rice Industry Association & Rice Producers

Association

Subject:

State Contracts: Recycled Products Preferences

Intro: 12/23/96

Would include fibrous residues from agricultural cropping activities within the definition of "secondary materials" for minimum recycled-content standards for State agency printing

Amended:

and writing paper procurement...

3/10/97

Status:

Set to be heard before the Assembly Appropriations Committee on 4/2/97; hearing put

over.

LPEC Position:

None at this time. None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

Bill No:

AB 107 (Ducheny) Sponsor: Assembly Budget Committee

Subject:

1997-98 Budget

Intro:

Would make appropriations for support of State government for the 1997-98 fiscal year.

1/9/97

Urgency Measure.

Status:

Referred to the Assembly Budget Committee.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

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Bill No:

AB 117 (Escutia) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Solid Waste: Demolition and Construction

Intro: 1/13/97 Would prohibit the operation of a solid waste facility that engages in the recycling of demolition and construction waste, including the recycling of cement, by any person, except

1/13/97 Amended:

as authorized pursuant to a solid waste facilities permit issued by the enforcement agency.

4/8/97

Additionally, AB 117 would require the CIWMB, by March 1, 1998, to adopt regulations to establish conditions for the permitting of a solid waste facility that engages in the recycling

of demolition and construction waste.

Status:

Set to be heard before the Assembly Natural Resources Committee on 4/14/97.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position:

None at this time.
None at this time.

Bill No:

AB 170 (Papan) Sponsor: Citicorp

Subject:

Claims Against the State

Intro: 1/28/97 Would specify that interest penalty fee provisions in contracts may not be waived, altered, or limited by a State agency or the person or business contracting with the State agency. Would require that in order to avoid late payment penalties State agencies shall pay

Amended:

promptly submitted, undisputed invoices within 45 days and would specify procedures and exclusions relating to that requirement (this section will become operative only if SB 1132 is

enacted)

Status:

4/2/97

Passed the Assembly Consumer Protection, Governmental Efficiency and Economic

Development Committee (10-0) on 4/8/97; referred to the Assembly Appropriations

Committee.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

Bill No:

AB 175 (Torlakson) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Environmental Quality

Intro:

Would authorize a lead agency to consider, among other things, previously completed local

1/28/97

and regional planning documents, site availability, and jurisdictional boundaries, in

determining the feasibility of a project alternatives when preparing and certifying a California

Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) report.

Status:

Set to be heard before the Assembly Natural Resources Committee on 4/14/97.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position

None at this time.

Bill No:

AB 179 (Bowen) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Public Records

Intro: 1/30/97

Would provide that public records that are in an electronic format shall, unless prohibited by law, be made available in that format when requested by a member of the public and that

direct costs of duplicating public records shall include the costs associated with duplicating

electronic records.

Status:

Dropped by the author.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position:

None at this time.

None at this time.

Bill No:

AB 206 (Hertzberg) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Citizen Complaint Act of 1997

Intro:

Would require each State agency, including the California State University, to make available on its Internet web site, on or before July 1, 1998, or within 6 months of the

2/4/97 Amended:

establishment of such a site, whichever is later, a form in plain language through which residents of the State can register complaints relating to the performance of a State agency.

3/18/97 Status:

Passed the Assembly Consumer Protection, Governmental Efficiency and Economic

Development Committee on 4/8/97; referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

None at this time.

Bill No:

AB 228 (Midgen) Sponsor: Californians Against Waste

Subject:

Newsprint: Recycled Content: State Agencies

Intro:

Would include the Office of State Printing (OSP) in the Department of General Services

2/5/97

(DGS) and any other State agency determined by the California Integrated Waste

Amended:

Management Board (CIWMB) to conduct any printing or publishing operation within the

3/31/97 definition

definition of "consumer of newsprint," for purposes of the recycled-content newsprint program administered by the CIWMB. Additionally the bill would include legislative intent that all State agencies, including the OSP, are subject to the recycled-content newsprint

requirements and should do everything possible to achieve and exceed those

requirements.

Status:

Set to be heard before the Assembly Appropriations Committee on 4/2/97; hearing put over.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position:

None at this time.
None at this time.

Bill No:

AB 306 (Kaloogian) Sponsor: Intelligen, Inc.

Subject:

Public Utilities: Electrical Restructuring

Intro:

Would include microcogeneration as one of the described changes in usage for the uneconomic costs applied to each customer based on the amount of electricity purchased

2/14/97

by the customer from an electrical corporation or alternate supplier of electricity, subject to

changes in usage occurring in the normal course of business.

Status:

Referred to Assembly Utilities and Commerce Committee.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

None at this time.

Bill No.

AB 362 (Bowen) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Environmental Advertising

Intro: 2/19/97 Would make it unlawful for a person to represent that a consumer good, as defined, which it manufactures or distributes, is ozone friendly, biodegradable, or meets specified marketing

claims, unless the article meets specified definitions established in the trade rules adopted

by the Federal Trade Commission.

Status:

Passed the Assembly Consumer Protection, Governmental Efficiency and Economic Development Committee (7-4) on 4/8/97; referred to the Assembly Appropriations

Committee.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

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Bill No:

AB 375 (Firestone) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Solid Waste: Tires

intro:

Would exempt a facility that generates electricity from the combustion of whole waste tires

2/19/97 Amended: from the requirement to obtain a major waste tire facility permit, provided the facility complies with CIWMB regulations and stores no more than a 1-month supply of tires on-

4/8/97

site; would raise the tire fee from \$.25 per tire to \$.30 per tire.

Status:

Set to be heard before the Assembly Natural Resources Committee on 4/7/97; hearing put

over.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position:

None at this time. None at this time.

Bill No:

AB 376 (Baca) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Public Contracts

Intro: 2/19/97 Would require specified contracts that exceed a certain sum awarded by the State of California or any State agency be awarded through a publicized competitive bidding

process to the lowest qualified bidder.

Status:

Set to be heard before the Assembly Consumer Protection, Governmental Efficiency and

Economic Development Committee on 4/22/97.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position:

None at this time.
None at this time.

AB 453 (Kuykendall) Sponsor: Business Properties Assn.

Bill No. Subject:

Public Works: Prevailing Wages

Intro: 2/24/97 Would make the current requirement relating to the payment of prevailing specified wages to all workers employed on public works projects applicable to public works projects greater

than \$100,000.

Status: Set to be heard before the Assembly Labor and Employment Committee on 4/23/97.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

Bill No:

AB 475 (Pringle) Sponsor: California Chamber of Commerce

Subject:

Office of Permit Assistance: Reports

Intro: 2/24/97 Would require, commencing with the first guarter of calendar year 1999, Cal/EPA, the Resources Agency and the State Board of Equalization to submit to the Office of Permit Assistance an annual report of the total dollar amount of fees or charges collected or

assessed by each of those agencies and subdivisions thereof.

Status:

Set to be heard before to the Assembly Consumer Protection, Governmental Efficiency and

Economic Development Committee on 4/8/97; hearing put over.

LPEC Position:

None at this time. None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

AB 529 (Baldwin) Sponsor: Author

Bill No: Subject:

State Funds

Intro:

Would provide that specified Budget Act revenues shall be deposited in the General Fund

2/24/97

and not be expended unless the Legislature authorizes the expenditure.

Set to be heard before the Assembly Consumer Protection, Governmental Efficiency and Status: Economic Development Committee on 4/22/97.

LPEC Position:

None at this time. None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

AB 592 (Kuehl) Sponsor: Author

Bill No: Subject:

Environmental Protection: Pollution Cleanup

Intro:

Would prohibit Cal/EPA and the offices, boards and departments within the agency from

2/25/97

allowing or authorizing any person responsible for any toxic emission or discharge into the air, water, or land to inspect, monitor, enforce, supervise, or otherwise participate in the

Amended: 4/9/97

cleanup regulatory process.

Status:

Set to be heard before the Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee

on 4/15/92.

LPEC Position:

None at this time. None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

AB 705 (Strom-Martin) Sponsor: Californians Against Waste

Bill No: Subject:

State and Local Recycling

Intro: 2/26/97 Would require State government agencies to develop an integrated waste management program similar to those required to be adopted by local government agencies. It would also include building and construction materials, outdoor furniture, and landscaping materials

Amended: 4/2/97

within the definition of recycled products for purposes of procurement requirements by the Legislature and State agencies, and contractor certification of materials for State jobs. In addition, it would also reenact provisions of law which required all State agencies to purchase certain recycled products if they meet quality and cost considerations.

Status:

Passed the Assembly Consumer Protection, Governmental Efficiency and Economic Development Committee (11-1) on 4/8/97; referred to the Assembly Appropriations

Committee.

LPEC Position:

None at this time. None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

Bill No:

AB 733 (Washington) Sponsor: California State Bar

Subject:

Hazardous Materials: Hazardous and Solid Waste: Public Education

Intro: 2/26/97 Would require the Director of Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) to develop for grades K-8 a public education program, providing curricula on hazardous materials and

hazardous and solid waste facilities, and a statewide public education campaign to meet

those objectives.

Status:

Set to be heard before the Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee on

4/15/97.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

None at this time.

AB 770 (Margett) Sponsor: California Council for Economic and Environmental

Bill No: Subject:

Balance

Recyclable Materials

Intro:

Would delete the requirement that recyclable materials be managed and stored in a

2/26/97

specified manner.

Amended:

4/10/97

Status:

Set to be heard before the Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee

on 4/15/97.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

None at this time.

Bill No:

AB 775 (Martinez) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Public Agencies: State Funds

Intro:

Would provide that no public agency, as defined, is eligible to receive State funds if the public

2/26/97

agency knowingly violates any State law or local ordinance.

Status:

Passed the Assembly Consumer Protection, Governmental Efficiency and Economic

Development Committee on 4/8/97; hearing canceled at the request of the author.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

: None at this time.

Bill No:

AB 847 (Wayne) Sponsor: Appliance Recycling Centers of America

Subject:

Hazardous Materials and Waste: Major Appliances

Intro: 2/27/97 Would prohibit any person from crushing, for purposes of transportation or transfer to a baler or shredder, for recycling any major appliance, until all hazardous materials and hazardous wastes have been removed from the appliance. Additionally, it would require all hazardous

Amended: 3/31/97

materials and hazardous waste removed from major appliances to be managed in

compliance with the hazardous waste control laws.

Status:

Passed the Assembly Appropriations Committee (11-5) on 4/9/97; referred to the Assembly

Floor for vote.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

Bill No:

AB 964 (Bowen) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Solid Waste Landfills: Alternative Daily Cover

Intro: 2/27/98 Would require any local agency using alternative daily cover to meet its source reduction goals to also have in place a green waste collection, composting, or marketing program that makes the material available to residential, commercial, and government users. Would

Amended: 3/31/97

require the CIWMB, when reviewing a source reduction and recycling element, to make an affirmative finding as to whether the local agency relies on the use of alternative daily cover to meet its source reduction goals and to include this information in its annual progress

report to the Legislature.

Status:

Referred to the Assembly Natural Resources Committee.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position:

None at this time.

None at this time.

Bill No:

AB 1055 (Villaraigosa) Sponsor: Unknown

Subject:

Recyclable Materials: Playground

Intro:

Would require the CIWMB to develop a program to inventory and inspect the uses of

2/27/97

recyclable materials on public playgrounds.

Status:

Set to be heard before the Assembly Natural Resources Committee on 4/14/97.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

Bill No: AB 1097 (Brown) Sponsor: Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

Subject:

Open Meetings

Intro:

Would delete the repeal date of the law that authorizes a State body to hold an open or closed

2/27/97

meeting by teleconference.

Status:

Referred to the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee.

LPEC Position:

n: None at this time. ion: None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

AB 1111 (Martinez) Sponsor: Author.

Bill No: Subject:

Bid Announcements: Criteria and Specifications

Intro:

Would required a public entity, in awarding a contract pursuant to a public bidding process, to

2/27/97

accept the lowest responsible bid that most closely follows the criteria or specifications, or both, contained within the announcement for bids, or reject all bids and initiate a new announcement, containing new criteria or specifications, or both, and a new bidding process.

Status:

Referred to the Assembly Consumer Protection, Governmental Efficiency and Economic Development Committee.

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LPEC Position: CIWMB Position:

None at this time.
None at this time.

AB 1157 (Wayne) Sponsor: Author

Bill No: Subject:

Hazardous Waste

Intro:

Would require the DTSC to issue a public notice not less than 30 days immediately preceding

2/28/97

the date of granting a hazardous waste variance.

Status:

Passed the Assembly Appropriations Committee (14-5) on 4/9/97; referred to the Assembly

Floor for vote.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

AB 1169 (Shelley) Sponsor: Mountain Lion Foundation Bill No:

Environmental and Resource Agencies: Posting of Electronic Mail Subject:

Would require State environmental and resource agencies to post on the Internet specified Intro: information regarding meetings, and continue to maintain paper copies of such information. 2/28/97

Passed the Assembly Televising the Assembly Committee (5-0) on 4/7/97; referred to the Status:

Assembly Governmental Organization Committee.

LPEC Position:

None at this time. None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

AB 1170 (Kaloogian) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

State Regulatory Agencies Created by Statutes: Review

Intro:

Bill No:

Would require the Bureau of State Audits to conduct a performance audit of each State

2/28/97

regulatory agency, with specified exceptions.

Status:

Bill No:

Set to be heard before the Assembly Consumer Protection, Governmental Efficiency and

Economic Development Committee on 4/22/97.

LPEC Position:

None at this time. None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

AB 1195 (Toriakson) Sponsor: Author

Hazardous Substances: Liability Subject:

Would require a statement of the reasons for allocating responsibility to each respective Intro:

potentially responsible party to include specified factors pertaining to the amount of 2/28/97

hazardous substance for which the potentially responsible party may be responsible, the Amended: degree of the toxicity of the hazardous substance, and the degree of involvement of the 4/9/97

potential responsible party.

Set to be heard before the Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee Status:

on 4/15/97.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

None at this time.

Bill No:

AB 1235 (Leach) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Administrative Regulations: Adverse Job Creation Impact

Intro:

Would require the State and Consumer Services Agency, commencing on January 1, 1999,

2/28/97

and every four years after January 1, 2003, to establish a schedule to review regulations for

duplication and consistency.

Status:

Set to be heard before the Assembly Consumer Protection, Governmental Efficiency and

Economic Development Committee on 4/22/97.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position:

None at this time. None at this time

AB 1273 (Woods) Sponsor: CIWMB

Bill No: Subject:

Solid Waste Management

Intro:

Would make a number of technical, definitional, and code clean-up provisions regarding solid

2/28/97 waste management.

Status:

Set to be heard before the Assembly Natural Resources Committee on 4/14/97.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

Bill No:

AB 1383 (Aroner) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Private Activity Bonds

Intro: 2/28/97 Would delete exempt facility bonds from the definition of private activity bonds and make conforming changes. Would prohibit California Pollution Control Financing Authority from

Amended

providing tax-exempt bonds for solid waste facilities.

4/9/97

Status:

Set to be heard before the Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee on

4/16/97.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position: None at this time. None at this time.

Bill No:

AB 1393 (Alquist) Sponsor: State Controller's Office

Subject:

State and Local Government: Performance Audits

Intro:

Would require each State agency to complete a performance audit within two years of the

228/97

effective date of the bill.

Status:

Set to be heard before the Assembly Consumer Protection, Governmental Efficiency and

Economic Development Committee on 4/22/97.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position: None at this time. None at this time.

AB 1409 (Baugh) Sponsor: Caltrans

Bill No: Subject:

Governmental Tort Liability

Intro: 2/28/97 Would revise the definition of dangerous condition for the purposes of governmental tort liability to apply to a condition of property that creates substantial risk of injury when that

property or adjacent property is used with due care by all persons necessary for that risk of injury to occur and in a manner in which it is reasonably foreseeable that it will be used.

Referred to the Assembly Judiciary Committee. Status:

LPEC Position: **CIWMB Position:** None at this time. None at this time.

Bill No:

AB 1497 (Brown) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

State Agencies: Performance

Intro:

Would extend the date of a specified plan, devised by the Department of Finance (DOF), for

2/28/97

conducting performance reviews in conjunction with State agencies, departments offices, and

commissions, to March 1, 1998.

Status:

Set to be heard before the Assembly Consumer Protection, Governmental Efficiency and

Economic Development Committee on 4/22/97.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position:

None at this time. None at this time.

Bill No:

AB 1512 (Shelley) Sponsor: Californians Against Waste

Subject:

Beverage Containers: Recycling: Beverages

Intro: 2/28/97 Would require the Department of Conservation (DOC) to deposit specified revenue received resulting from the inclusion of new defined beverages into the Beverage Container Refund

Account.

Status:

Set to be heard before the Assembly Natural Resources Committee on 4/14/97.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position: None at this time. None at this time

Bill No:

AB 1513 (Cardoza) Sponsor: Thermo-Eco-Teck

Subject:

Income and Bank and Corporation Taxes: Credit: Agricultural

Intro:

Would provide a specified tax credit in an amount equal to \$30 per ton of agricultural

2/28/87

prunings that are delivered without charge to a biomass conversion facility.

Amended:

4/9/97

Status:

Set to be heard before the Assembly Revenue and Taxation Committee on 4/14/97.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

None at this time.

Senate Bills

Bill No:

SB 2 (Thompson) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Parks and Resources Improvement: Bond Act

Intro: Amended: Would enact the Parks and Resources Improvement Bond Act of 1998 which would be submitted to voters at the General Election on November 3, 1998. The bill would authorize

4/3/97

the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$495,500,000 for the purpose of financing a program for the rehabilitation and enhancement of park, recreation, cultural, historical, fish and wildlife, lake riparian, reservoir, delta, river, and coastal resources. The bill would express legislative intent that every State and local government agency who is a recipient of funds from the bonds give full consideration to the use of recycled and reusable products

whenever possible in carrying out the activities enumerated in the bill.

Status:

Referred to the Senate Appropriations Committee Suspense File on 4/7/97.

LPEC Position:

None at this time. None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

SB 58 (Ayala) Sponsor: Author

Bill No: Subject:

State Agencies Legislation

Intro: 12/6/96 Would require every State agency that may be significantly affected by a bill to prepare an analysis of the bill and deliver that analysis to the bill's author and each policy committee set

to hear that bill no later than seven calendar days prior to the first hearing in that committee.

Status:

Referred to the Senate Governmental Organization Committee.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position: None at this time. None at this time.

Bill No:

SB 74 (Kopp) Sponsor: California Newspaper Publishers Association

Subject:

Records

Intro:

Records

12/12/96 Amended: Would provide for public inspection of public records and copying all forms. SB 74 would further require public agencies to ensure that systems used to collect and hold public records be designed to ensure ease of public access. In the event that an agency decides

2/24/97

to withhold a record, or if the withholding is based on the "public interest "as defined, SB 74 would require the agency to state the public interest in disclosure and public interest in

Status:

nondisclosure.

Set to be heard before the Senate Appropriations Committee on 4/7/97; hearing put over.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

Bill No:

SB 95 (Ayala) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Open Meetings

Intro: 12/19/96 Among other things, would provide State bodies may hold open and closed meetings by teleconference until 1/1/2001; and would include provisions relating to taping meetings.

Amended:

meeting agendas and notices, accessibility to disabled persons, etc.

3/6/97

Status:

Failed passage before the Senate Governmental Organization Committee (4-4) on 3/18/97,

reconsideration granted for 4/15/97

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position:

None at this time.
None at this time.

Bill No:

SB 105 (Ayala) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Water Quality: Notification

Intro:

Would require the Office of Emergency Services to notify the appropriate local health officials of any hazardous substance or sewage discharged into the waters of California. Would

12/24/96 Amended:

require the local health officials to notify the public of the discharge.

3/17/97

Status:

Passed the Senate Environmental Quality Committee (7-0) on 4/7/97; referred to the Senate

Public Safety Committee.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

tion: None at this time.

Bill No:

SB 130 (Thompson) Sponsor: Senate Budget Committee

Subject:

1997-98 Budget

Intro:

Would make an appropriation for support of State government for the 1997-98 fiscal year.

1/9/97

Urgency Measure.

Status:

Referred to Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee.

LPEC Position:

CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No:

SB 179 (Hughes) Sponsor: Glass Packaging Institute

Subject:

Processing Fees

Intro:

Would make nonsubstantive technical changes in California Beverage Container Recycling

1/22/97

and Litter Reduction Act provisions relating to imposition of processing fees.

Amended: 3/5/97

Status:

Referred to the Senate Natural Resources and Wildlife Committee.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position:

None at this time.
None at this time.

Bill No:

SB 209 (Kopp) Sponsor: California Law Revision Commission

Subject:

Judicial Review: Governmental Agency Actions

Intro:

Would repeal and add provisions relating to governing judicial review of decisions of State agencies, local agencies, public corporations, and specified nongovernmental entities

1/28/97 Amended:

(hospital boards, etc.).

4/2/97

Status: Set to be heard before the Senate Judiciary Committee on 4/22/97.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

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Bill No:

SB 216 (Bruite) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Public Utilities: Electrical Restructuring

Intro:

Would make technical changes in provisions relating to the restructuring of the electrical

1/29/97 Status: services industry.

LPEC Position:

Referred to the Senate Rules Committee.

CIWMB Position:

None at this time.

SB 252 (Kelley) Sponsor: Regional Council of Rural Counties

Bill No: Subject:

Public Utilities: Electrical Restructuring

Intro: 2/4/97 Would require the Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to submit a report to the Regional Council of Rural Counties, and to the Chairs of the Senate Energy,

Amended:

Utilities and Communications Committee and the Assembly Utilities and Commerce

4/3/97

Committee, by September 1, 1998, on recommendations for legislation relating to

aggregation of electrical purchases by small rural counties.

Status:

Passed the Senate Energy, Utilities, and Commerce Committee (8-0) on 4/8/97; referred to

the Senate Appropriations Committee.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

None at this time.

Bill No:

SB 261 (Kopp) Sponsor: California Law Revision Commission

Subject:

Judicial Review: Government Agency Actions

Intro:

Would make judicial review of specified State agency and local agency actions subject to the

2/5/97

provisions being added by SB 209 (becomes operative only if SB 209 is enacted into law).

Amended:

4/2/97

Status:

Set to be heard before the Senate Judiciary Committee on 4/22/97.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position: None at this time.

None at this time.

SB 320 (Senate Housing and Land Use Committee) Sponsor: Committee

Bill No: Subject:

Housing and Land Use Omnibus Act of 1997

Intro:

Would combine several minor statutory changes relating to housing, land use, and related

2/11/97

topics into a single measure. Would include legislative intent regarding straw-bale

Amended:

guidelines.

4/3/97

Status:

s: Set to be heard before the Senate Housing and Land Use Committee on 4/21/97.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

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Bill No: Subject: SB 412 (Peace) Sponsor: Author
State Contracts: Conflict of Interest

Intro:

Would declare the provisions of the State Contract Act relating to conflict of interest by

2/18/97

specified individuals or entities shall be expanded to encompass those that bid on or are

awarded specific contracts. Urgency Measure.

Status:

Set to be heard before the Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications Committee on

4/8/97; taken off Calendar.

LPEC Position:

None at this time

CIWMB Position:

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Bill No:

SB 423 (Hurtt) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Environmental Audit Reports: Privilege: Voluntary

Intro:

Would enact the Environmental Audit Privilege and Voluntary Noncompliance Disclosure Act

2/18/97

of 1997.

Status:

Set to be heard before the Senate Environmental Quality Committee on 4/21/97.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position:

None at this time. None at this time.

Bill No:

SB 424 (Hurtt) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Environmental Quality

Intro:

Would require an environmental impact report only on projects that are likely to have a

2/18/97 Status:

significant effect on the environment.

LPEC Position:

Set to be heard before the Senate Environmental Quality Committee on 4/21/97. None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

None at this time.

Bill No.

SB 436 (Sher) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Solid Waste: Beverage Containers

Intro: 2/18/97 Would require the CIWMB, in consultation with the Department of Conservation (DOC), to submit to the Legislature a report identifying any duplication or overlap between CIWMB and

DOC programs pertaining to public information and education, local government review and

assistance, and recycled materials market development. Urgency Measure.

Status:

Referred to the Senate Environmental Quality Committee.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position: None at this time. None at this time.

Bill No:

SB 448 (Sher) Sponsor: City of Palo Alto

Subject:

Public Records

Intro:

Would provide that the Public Records Act shall not be construed to require the disclosure of specified information concerning municipal utility customers except for specified purposes.

2/19/97

Amended:

4/10/97

Status:

Passed the Senate Judiciary Committee (9-0) on 4/8/97; referred to the Senate Floor for

vote.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

None at this time.

Bill No: Subject: SB 451 (Watson) Sponsor: California State Bar Land Use: General Plans: Environmental Equity

Intro:

Would require the land use element designate the distribution, location, and extent of land use, as well as to include policies for the equitable distribution of facilities for the transfer. storage, and disposal of solid, hazardous, and liquid wastes that avoid disproportionate

2/19/97 Amended:

impacts against low-income communities as well as racial and ethnic minorities

3/31/97

Status:

Passed the Senate Housing and Land Use Committee (4-1) on 4/7/97; referred to the

Senate Appropriations Committee.

LPEC Position:

None at this time. None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

Bill No: SB 458 (Peace) Sponsor: Author

Subject: Disclosure of Personal Information

Intro: Would prohibit a State agency, including the California State University, from sending any correspondence to an individual that contains personal information about the individual

unless the personal information is contained within sealed correspondence.

Status: Set to be heard before the Senate Governmental Organization Committee on 4/15/97.

LPEC Position: None at this time
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: SB 479 (Alpert) Sponsor: Professional Engineers.

Subject: Public Contracts

Intro: Would require the State Controller, with respect to contracts for engineering, architectural, 2/20/97 landscape architectural, surveying, environmental, or engineering geology services, to

prepare and verify an analysis of the cost of performing the work using State civil service employees and the cost of the contract to be awarded by the State or any State agency.

Status: Set to be heard before the Senate Governmental Organization Committee on 4/15/97.

LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: SB 492 (Rosenthal) Sponsor: Author Subject: State Agencies and Boards: Internet

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Note: Would require each State agency and regulatory board to provide public information on the

2/20/97 Internet related to suspensions and revocations of licenses issued by a State agency or

Amended: regulatory board.

4/7/97

Status: Set to be heard before the Senate Governmental Organization Committee on 4/15/97.

LPEC Position: None at this time.

CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: SB 504 (Johnston) Sponsor: Author

Subject: Administrative Law: Written Communication

Intro: Would require that any person submitting a written communication to a State agency in a 2/20/97 quasi-judicial proceeding that is directly paid for by anyone other than the person submitting

the written communication, clearly indicate any person who is paid for at least \$5,000 or 5

percent of the cost of producing the written communication, whichever is higher.

Status: Set to be heard before the Senate Judiciary Committee on 4/22/97.

LPEC Position: None at this time.

CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: SB 598 (Sher) Sponsor: Author

Subject: Environmental Protection

Intro: Would make legislative findings and declarations that protection of the environment is promoted thorough voluntary environmental compliance audits, that reasonable incentives

should be provided to facilities with environmental responsibilities to encourage self-

conducted environmental audits, and that environmental protection is promoted through good-

faith cooperation between regulatory agencies and regulated communities.

Status: Referred to the Senate Rules Committee.

LPEC Position: None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

SB 647 (Brulte) Sponsor: California Manufacturers Association Bill No:

Environmental Requirements

Subject:

Would prohibit the assessment of any civil or administrative sanctions against any person Intro:

who fully discloses a minor violation of an environmental requirement to the regulatory agency 2/25/96

having jurisdiction over the matter.

Set to be heard before the Senate Environmental Quality Committee on 4/21/97. Status:

None at this time. LPEC Position: None at this time. CIWMB Position:

Bill No: SB 660 (Sher) Sponsor: Author

Hazardous Waste Management Fees Subject: Would enact the Environmental Cleanup and Reform Act of 1997 and make legislative Intro:

findings and declarations concerning the State's hazardous waste management program 2/25/96 and existing fee and funding mechanisms. Among other things, the bill would delete the Amended:

registration fee for hazardous waste transporters and for hazardous waste facilities 4/2/97

applications and would revise the fee imposed for variance applications and permit

Passed the Senate Environmental Quality Committee (6-0) on 4/7/97; referred to the Senate Status:

Floor for vote.

LPEC Position: None at this time.

CIWMB Position: None at this time.

SB 675 (Costa) Sponsor: Browning and Ferris Industries Bill No:

Air Poliution: Odors Subject:

Would extend the exemption of odors emanating directly from a facility or operations that Intro: produce, manufacture, or handle compost from the prohibition of discharging of any air 2/25/97

contaminant or other material that causes injury, detriment, nuisance, or annoyance to, or

that endangers, a considerable number of persons or the public. Urgency Measure.

Referred to the Senate Environmental Quality Committee. Status:

None at this time.

None at this time. CIWMB Position:

LPEC Position:

SB 681 (O'Connell) Sponsor: Author Bill No:

Beverage Containers: Processing Fees: Handling Fees Subject: Would, as of January 1, 2004, repeal the requirements for the DOC to establish a Intro:

2/25/96 commingled rate, and would extend the existing procedures for calculating processing fees

until January 1, 2004.

Referred to the Senate Natural Resources and Wildlife Committee Status:

LPEC Position: None at this time. CIWMB Position: None at this time.

SB 698 (Rainey) Sponsor: First Brands Bill No:

Plastic Trash Bags Subject:

Intro: Would require every manufacturer of plastic trash bags to ensure that at least 20% and on

2/25/96 and after January 1, 1997, at least 30%, of the materials used in those plastic bags is

recycled plastic postconsumer material.

Set to be heard before the Senate Environmental Safety Committee on 4/21/97. Status:

LPEC Position: None at this time.

Bill No: SB 715 (Sher) Sponsor: Author

Subject: Environmental Quality: State Guidelines

Intro: Would require that criteria included in guidelines prepared by the Office of Planning and

2/25/96 Research for implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) be

submitted to State agencies for review and comment.

Status: Set to be heard before the Senate Environmental Quality Committee on 4/21/97.

LPEC Position: None at this time.

CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: SB 716 (Alpert) Sponsor: Author

Subject: Pacific Beach Mobile Recycling Program

Intro: Would extend indefinitely the duration of the Pacific Beach Pilot Recycling Program, and 2/25/97 would delete the requirements that a report on the program be submitted to the Legislature.

Status: Set to be heard before the Senate Natural Resources and Wildlife Committee on 4/15/97.

LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: SB 774 (Johannessen) Sponsor: Author

Subject: Restoration of Land: Disasters: CEQA Exemption

Intro: Would provide that land and any appurtenant structures, as defined, in need of repairs due to

2/26/97 any natural or manmade disaster or an emergency are exempt from CEQA.

Status: Referred to the Senate Environmental Quality Committee.

LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: SB 878 (Karnette) Sponsor: City of Lakewood

Subject: Solid Waste: Diversion Requirements: Waste to Energy

Intro: Would authorize a city, county, or regional agency to submit to the CIWMB a revised source

2/26/97 reduction and recycling element which includes diversion waste credit through waste to

energy to be applied toward specified diversion requirements.

Status: Set to be heard before the Senate Environmental 4/21/97.

LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: SB 906 (Lee) Sponsor: Black Lawyers of the State Bar

Subject: Hazardous Waste Management Plans

Intro: Among other things, would require the county plan to include an analysis of the expected 2/27/97 rates of hazardous waste production until 1999, and would additionally require the county plan to include specified information regarding the demographics of the community within a

4/3/97 10-mile radius of each hazardous waste stream and facility, and the consideration of

specified environmental equity goals..

Status: Referred to the Senate Environmental Quality Committee.

LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: SB 988 (Sher) Sponsor: Author

Subject: Solid Waste Management

Intro: Would repeal the Used Oil Recycling Act and the Used Oil Collection Demonstration Grant 2/27/97 Program Act of 1990 administered by the CIWMB and would enact certain provisions of the

Used Oil Recycling Act as part of the California Oil Recycling Enhancement Act.

Status: Set to be heard before the Senate Environmental Quality Committee on 4/21/97.

LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: SB 1000 (Rosenthal) Sponsor: Author

Subject: Future California Act of 1998

Intro: Would, among other things, establish the Future California Act of 1998, a venue to examine

2/27/97 the State's future in its many dimensions, including demography, industry, environment,

policy, international relations and development.

Status: Double-referred to the Senate Rules Committee and the Senate Governmental Organization

Committee.

LPEC Position: None at this time.
CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: SB 1018 (Leslie) Sponsor: California Cattlemen's Association

Subject: Private Property: Illegal Dumping

Intro: Would provide that in any case involving illegal dumping or littering of waste material on

2/27/97 private property located adjacent to a public road, without the consent of the private property

owner, the private property owner shall neither be liable or have the duty to provide for such

cleanup

Status: Referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee.

LPEC Position: None at this time.

CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: SB 1034 (Maddy) Sponsor: Bioclean Industries

Subject: Waste: Trauma Scene

Intro: Would enact the Trauma Scene Waste Management Act and would, among other things, prohibit any person from conducting a commercial operation that constitutes trauma scene

Amended: waste management unless the person is registered with the Department of Health Services

4/2/97 as a trauma scene waste management practitioner.

Status: Set to be heard before the Senate Environmental Quality Committee on 4/21/97.

LPEC Position: None at this time.

CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: SB 1047 (Sher) Sponsor: Author

Subject: Environmental Protection: Regulatory Implementation

Intro: Would enact the California Environmental Protection Agency Regulatory Implementation Act

2/27/97 of 1997 without substantive provisions. Urgency Measure.

Status: Referred to the Senate Rules Committee.

LPEC Position: None at this time.

Bill No:

SB 1066 (Sher) Sponsors: City of San Jose, League of California Cities and

Subject:

Californians Against Waste

Solid Waste: Market Development

Intro: 2/27/97 Would specifically include source reduction in specified legislative findings and declarations relating to the achievement of market development goals set forth by the California Integrated

Waste Management Act of 1989 (IWMA).

Status:

Referred to the Senate Environmental Quality Committee.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

None at this time.

Bill No:

SB 1081 (Calderon) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Hazardous Materials: Mediation-Arbitration

Intro:

Would establish the Environmental Responsibility Acceptance Act, providing for the mediation

2/28/97

of potential liability claims for damage to real property by hazardous materials.

Status:

Referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position:

None at this time. None at this time.

Bill No:

SB 1093 (Rainey) Sponsor: Governance Consensus Project

Subject:

State Budget: Performance Measures

Intro:

Would declare that the State budget shall focus on the results of government services at the

2/28/97

State and local levels, that State and local government officials are required to respect existing program evaluation requirements and program performance measures, and the outcome measures are to be realistic and commensurate with the revenue levels for each

program. Urgency Measure.

Status:

Referred to the Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position: None at this time. None at this time.

Bill No:

SB 1113 (Solis) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Intro:

Environmental Quality: Ethnic Populations

2/28/97

Would prohibit a lead agency from certifying an environmental impact report prepared under the direction of CEQA, unless it includes an analysis of the impacts of the project on nearby

ethnic populations.

Status:

Set to be heard before the Senate Environmental Quality Committee on 4/21/97.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position:

None at this time. None at this time.

Bill No:

SB 1114 (Solis) Sponsor: Unknown

Subject:

Land Use: Development Permits

Intro: 2/28/97 Would require the Office of Permit Assistance (OPA), in the Trade and Commerce Agency (TCA), to provide information to State and local agencies, as well as to applicants for development projects, to assist them in meeting the requirements of the California

Amended:

Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

4/2/97 Status:

Passed the Senate Environmental Quality Committee (5-2) on 4/7/97; referred to the Senate

Appropriations Committee.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

Bill No:

SB 1117 (Hayden) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Judicial Review: Public Utilities

Intro: 2/28/97

Would express the intent of the Legislature that judicial review of decisions by State agencies, including the Public Utilities Commission, relating to CEQA, conform to the provisions of that

act

Status: Re

Referred to the Senate Rules Committee.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position:

None at this time.
None at this time.

Bill No:

SB 1132 (Polanco) Sponsor: Department of General Services

Subject:

Public Acquisitions

Intro:

Would repeal the law that provides for a comprehensive scheme for State procurement of materials, supplies, equipment, and services and establish in its place the California

2/28/97 Amended:

Acquisition Reform Act of 1997. Urgency Measure.

4/8/97

Status:

Set to be heard before the Senate Governmental Organization Committee on 4/15/97.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

None at this time.

Bill No:

SB 1157 (Maddy) Sponsor: Department of Conservation

Subject:

Beverage Containers: Nonprofit Dropoff Programs

Intro:

Would define the terms "nonprofit dropoff program" and "dropoff and collection program" for

2/28/97

the purposes of the California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act.

Status:

Set to be heard before the Senate Natural Resources and Wildlife on 4/22/97.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

on: None at this time.

Bill No:

SB 1175 (Sher) Sponsor: Author

Subject:

Oil Recycling

Intro:

Would revise the terms "bulk oil" and "industrial oil" for purposes of the Oil Recycling

2/28/97

Enhancement Act. Additionally, the bill would require that a person or entity who purchases oil that is intended to be sold for use, transferred for use, or used, in an exempt manner, to

Amended: 4/3/97

give the seller and exemption certificate, as prescribed by the CIWMB, that contains a

written declaration made under penalty of perjury, that the subject oil is so intended for use

in an exempt manner.

Status:

Referred to the Senate Rules Committee.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

None at this time.

Bill No:

SB 1179 (Polanco) Sponsor: Browning and Ferris Industries

Subject:

Solid Waste Handlers: Indemnity Agreements

Intro: 2/28/97

Would require that any term, condition, or requirement in any franchise, contract, agreement, license, or permit granted or issued by any city, county, or district for municipal solid waste collection or recycling that requires the solid waste handler, in substance, to indemnify the city, county, or district for fines or penalties imposed by the CIWMB, is subject to specified

restrictions or enforceability.

Status:

Set to be heard before the Senate Environmental Quality Committee on 4/21/97.

LPEC Position:

None at this time

CIWMB Position:

SB 1196 (Leslie) Sponsor: Alpine County Bill No:

Solid Waste Management: Local Planning: Report Subject:

Would make technical and clarifying changes to specified provisions of the California Intro: Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 which establish a state integrated waste 2/28/97

management program.

Referred to the Senate Rules Committee. Status:

None at this time LPEC Position: None at this time. CIWMB Position:

SB 1216 (Costa) Sponsor: California Biomass Energy Alliance Bill No:

Personal Income and Bank And Corporation Taxes: Credits: Biomass Energy Subject:

Would authorize a credit against personal income and bank and corporation taxes for each Intro: taxable and income year beginning on or after January 1, 1997, and before January 1, 2003. 2/28/97

in an amount equal to 1 1/2 cents for each kilowatt hour of energy produced by a biomass

energy production facility in California during the taxable and income year.

Set to be heard before the Senate Revenue and Taxation Committee on 4/16/97. Status:

LPEC Position: None at this time.

CIWMB Position: None at this time.

SB 1273 (Hurtt) Sponsor: Author Bill No: State Agencies: Electronic Mail Subject:

Would provide that any requirement that a State agency send material, information or other Intro: 2/28/97 specified correspondence through the United States mail shall be deemed to include the

authority for the State agency to send those materials by electronic mail upon the request of

the recipient.

Status: Referred to the Senate Governmental Organization Committee.

LPEC Position: None at this time. CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: SB 1304 (O'Connell) Sponsor: State Controller's Office

Subject: State Budget: Zero-Based Budgeting

Intro: Would establish a task force during the 1998-1999 and 1999-2000 fiscal years to develop a 2/28/97

program of training and education to facilitate zero-based budgeting for the 2000-2001 fiscal

Status: Referred t the Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee.

LPEC Position: None at this time. CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No: SB 1305 (Sher) Sponsor: Author

Subject: **Public Utilities: Electricity** Would require the Power Exchange to require electricity suppliers to submit specified Intro:

2/28/97 information on energy fuel types and emissions.

Status: Referred to the Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications Committee.

LPEC Position: None at this time.

CIWMB Position: None at this time.

Bill No:

SB 1330 (Lockyer) Sponsor: Cattlemen's Association

Subject:

Solid Waste: Diversion Requirements

Intro:

Would authorize one or more single or multi-year time extensions from the pre-existing

2/28/97

diversion requirements established by the CIWMB.

Amended:

4/7/97 Status:

Set to be heard before the Senate Environmental Quality Committee on 4/21/97.

LPEC Position:

None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

None at this time.

Bill No:

SB 1341 (Costa) Sponsor: Author.

Subject:

Solid Waste: Local Enforcement Agencies: Appeals

Intro:

Would establish an enforcement program administer by local enforcement agencies certified

2/28/97

by the CIWMB.

Status:

Referred to the Senate Environmental Quality Committee.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position: None at this time. None at this time.

Bill No:

SCA 13 (O'Connell) Sponsor: State Controller's Office

Subject:

State Budget: Zero-Based Budgeting

Intro: 3/17/97 Would amend the California Constitution to require each State agency, department, or other entity, in submitting a zero-based budget request, to submit that request as formulated by directing each of the agency's budgetary units to identify each of the unit's activities, specify

the legal authority for conducting that activity, and itemize the budgetary requirements for

conducting that activity.

Status:

Double-referred to the Senate Budget Fiscal Review Committee and the Senate

Constitutional Amendments Committee.

LPEC Position: None at this time None at this time.

CIWMB Position:

SCR 15 (Peace) Sponsor: Author

Bill No: Subject:

Public Utilities: Electrical Restructuring: Public Utilities

Intro:

Would create the Joint Oversight Committee on Electricity and Reform to oversee the

2/5/97

implementation of AB 1890, SB 960, and SB 1322.

Amended: 2/20/97

Status:

Passed the Senate Floor (35-0) on 2/27/97; referred to Assembly Desk.

LPEC Position: CIWMB Position: None at this time. None at this time.

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HR 277 (Schumer, D-NY)

Environmental Crimes and Enforcement Act of 1997

Would increase penalties and strengthen enforcement of environmental crimes.

Status: Introduced January 7, 1997; joint referral to House Committees on Judiciary, Commerce, Agriculture, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Resources.

HR 316 (Solomon, R-NY)

Hazardous Waste Recycling Tax Credit Act of 1997

Would amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a refundable income tax credit for the recycling of hazardous waste.

Status: Introduced January 7, 1997; referred to House Committee on Ways and Means.

HR 360 (Towns, D-NY)

Waste Export and Import Prohibition Act

Would amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to prohibit the international export and import of certain solid waste.

Status: Introduced on January 7, 1997; referred to the House Committee on Commerce.

HR 688 (Schaefer, Dan, R-CO)

Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund Amendments Act of 1997

Would amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to require at least 85 percent of funds appropriated to the Environmental Protection Agency from the leaking underground storage tank trust fund to be distributed to States for cooperative agreements for undertaking corrective action and for enforcement of subtitle I of such act.

Status: Introduced on February 11, 1997; joint referral to House Committee on Commerce and House Committee on Ways and Means; cleared for full committee by Finance and Hazardous Materials Subcommittee (by voice vote) on 3/20/97.

HR 712 (Delauro, D-CT)

National Infrastructure Development Act of 1997

Would facilitate efficient investments and financing of infrastructure projects, including solid waste facilities, and new job creation through the establishment of a National Infrastructure Development Corporation.

Status: Introduced on February 12, 1997; joint referral to House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure; House Committee on Banking and Financial Services, and House Committee on Ways and Means.

HR 843 (Ford, D-TN)

Location of Hazardous Waste Near Certain Properties, Prohibition

Would prohibit the location of solid and hazardous waste facilities near residential, day care, church, and school properties.

Status: Introduced on February 26, 1997; referred to House Committee on Commerce.

HR 873 (Greenwood, R-PA)

Land Recycling Act of 1997

Would amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to limit Federal authority for response action for release subject to State voluntary response program, to provide protection for prospective purchasers of land, and for innocent landowners.

Status: Introduced on February 27, 1997; joint referral to the House Committee on Commerce and the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

HR 942 (Franks, Bob, R-NJ)

Interstate Transportation of Municipal Solid Waste Act of 1997; Municipal Solid Waste Flow Control Act of 1997

Would amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to provide authority for States to limit the interstate transportation of municipal solid waste.

Status: Introduced on March 5, 1997; referred to the House Committee on Commerce.

HR 943 (Franks, Bob, R-NJ)

Municipal Solid Waste Flow Control Act of 1997

Would amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to provide authority for States to control the movement of municipal solid waste to waste management facilities within the boundaries of the State or within the boundaries of political subdivisions of the State.

Status: Introduced on March 5, 1997; referred to the House Committee on Commerce.

HR 996 (Weller, R-IL)

Internal Revenue Code of 1986, Amendment

Would amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit the issuance of tax-exempt bonds to finance environmental remediation of contaminated sites.

Status: Introduced on March 6, 1997; referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

HR 997 (Weller, R-IL)

Internal Revenue Code of 1986, Amendment

Would amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow expensing and rapid amortization of certain environmental remediation expenditures.

Status: Introduced on March 6, 1997; referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

HR 1041 (Kennedy, Patrick, D-RI)

Solid Waste Disposal Act, Amendment (Tires)

Would amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to provide grants to States to stabilize and remove large tire piles that are near drink water sources and sensitive populations.

Status: Introduced on March 12, 1997; referred to the House Committee on Commerce.

HR 1120 (Dingell, D-MI)

Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, Amendment Would assist local governments in assessing and remediating brownfield sites, to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to encourage State voluntary response programs for remediating such sites, and for other purposes.

Status: Introduced on March 19, 1997; joint referral to House Committee on Commerce and House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

HR 1158 (Frelinghuysen, R-NJ)

Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, Amendment Would amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to restrict the liability under that act of local educational agencies for the amount and toxicity of solid waste generated those agencies.

Status: Introduced on March 20, 1997; joint referral to House Committee on Commerce and House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

HR 1199 (Souder, R-IN)

Protection from Irresponsibly Sited Hazardous Waste Facilities, Provision

Would protect residents and localities from irresponsibly sited hazardous waste facilities. Status: Introduced on March 20, 1997; Referred to House Committee on Commerce.

HR 1206 (Visclosky, D-IN

Program of Voluntary Environmental Cleanups by States, Requirement

Would require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish a program under which States may be certified to carry out voluntary environmental cleanup programs for low and medium priority sites to protect human health and the environment and promote economic development.

Status: Introduced on March 20, 1997; joint referral to House Committee on Commerce and House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

S 8 (Smith, Robert C., R-NH)

Superfund Cleanup Acceleration Act of 1997

Would reauthorize and amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response Liability, and Compensation Act of 1980. The bill would streamline cleanups, delegate authority to states and exempt all generators and transporters at co-disposal landfills, or those that mainly receive municipal solid waste and sewage sludge, for conduct prior to January 1, 1997.

Status: Introduced on January 21, 1997; public hearing held by the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works on March 4 and 5, 1997.

S 18 (Lautenberg, D-NJ)

Brownfields and Environmental Cleanup Act of 1997

Would assist the States and local governments in assessing and remediating brownfield sites and encouraging environmental cleanup programs. The bill would authorize \$10 million in grants for states and local governments to inventory and assess brownfield sites. Additionally, it would authorize \$15 million in grants for states to establish and capitalize low interest loan programs to clean up the sites and would limit the potential liability of innocent buyers of brownfields.

Status: Introduced on January 21, 1997; referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S 104 (Murkowski, R-AK)

Nuclear Waste

Among other things, would establish Yucca Mountain as the site for an interim storage facility and would require EPA to issue standards to protect the public from radioactive leaks from a permanent nuclear waste repository.

Status:

Introduced on January 21, 1997; public hearing held in Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on February 5, 1997; reported out of the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on March 14, 1997; unanimous consent agreement for consideration of the measure on the Senate Floor on April 9, 1997.

S 215 (Jeffords, R-VT)

National Beverage Container Reuse and Recycling Act of 1997

Would amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to require a refund value for certain beverage containers to provide resources for State pollution prevention and recycling programs.

Status: Introduced on January 28, 1997; referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S 237 (Bumpers, D-AR)

Electric Consumers Protection Act of 1997

Would provide for retail competition by December 15, 2000, among electric energy suppliers for the benefit and protection of consumers. Would define "renewable energy" as electricity generated from solar, wind, waste, except municipal waste, biomass, hydroelectric or geothermal resources.

Status: Introduced on January 30, 1997; referred to the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S 297 (Bryan (D-NV)

Nuclear Waste Independent Review Act

Would establish a Presidential commission on nuclear waste.

Status: Introduced on February 11, 1997; referred to the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S 384 (Conrad, D-ND)

Solid Waste Disposal Act, Amendment

Would amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to allow States to regulate the disposal of municipal solid waste generated outside the State.

Status: Introduced on February 28, 1997; referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S 443 (Baucus, D-MT)

State and Local Government Interstate Waste Control Act of 1997

Would amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to provide congressional authorization for restrictions on receipt of out-of-State municipal solid waste and for State control over transportation of municipal solid waste.

Status: Introduced on March 14, 1997; referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works

S 444 (Chafee, R-RI)

Internal Revenue Code of 1986, Amendment (Tires)

Would amend the Internal Revenue Code to impose a tax on the manufacture and importation of tires. Would create the Waste Tire Recycling, Abatement, and Disposal Trust Fund to be made available for recycling, abatement and cleanup of waste tire piles.

Status: Introduced on March 14, 1997; referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

S 445 (Chafee, R-RI)

Waste Tire Recycling, Abatement, and Disposal Act of 1997

Would amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to encourage recycling of waste tires and to ablate tire dumps and tire stockpiles.

Status: Introduced on March 14, 1997; referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S 448 (Robb, D-VA)

Solid Waste Disposal Act, Amendment

Would amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act t authorize local governments and Governors to restrict receipt of out-of-State municipal solid waste.

Status: Introduced on March 17, 1997; referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S 463 (Coats, R-IN)

Solid Waste Disposal Act, Amendment

Would amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to permit a Governor to limit the disposal of out-of-State solid waste in the Governor's State.

Status: Introduced in March 18, 1997; referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works.